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Charles Terreni
S.C. Public Service Commission
Chief Clerk/Administrator
South Carolina Public Service Commission
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Joint Application of Alltel Holding Corporate Services, Inc. and Alltel Communications, Inc.

Dear Mr. Terreni:

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Charlotte

Enclosed please find for filing the original and ten (10) copies of the Joint Application of Alltel Holding Corporate Services, Inc. and Alltel Communications, Inc.

Columbia

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If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Robert D. Coble

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cc: Ms. Daphne Duke

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

In re: Joint Application of Alltel Holding Corporate Services, Inc. and Alltel Communications, Inc.))		
for Authority to Complete a Transfer of)	JOINT APPLICATION	
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Alltel Holding Corporate Services, Inc. to)		
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Alternative Regulation First Granted in Order)		-
No. 98-484 in Docket No. 98-214-C and for)	i i i	
Flexible Regulation First Granted in Orders Nos.)		
65-1734 and 96-55 in Docket No. 95-661-C)		
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Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §§ 58-9-310 Alltel Holding Corporate Services, Inc. ("AHCSI"), and Alltel Communication, Inc. ("ACI") (collectively referred to as "Petitioners"), by their attorneys, hereby respectfully request that the South Carolina Public Commission ("Commission") (i) approve the transfer of ACI's authority to provide local exchange services to AHCSI (ii) grant AHCSI certification to provide resold long distance services in South Carolina; and (iii) approve the transfer of local exchange and long distance resale customers from ACI to AHCSI. Petitioners' further request that AHCSI be regulated subject to alternative regulation as was first granted to ACI by the Commission in Order No. 98-484 in Docket No.98-214-C, and flexible regulation as first granted in Orders Nos. 65-1734 and 96-55 issued in Docket No. 95-661-C.

Petitioners' requests are beneficial to the involved companies as well as the customers of ACI. Approval will not in any way be detrimental to the public interests of this State.

After the effective date of the transfer, AHCSI will provide the same telecommunications services to ACI's customers. The transfer is not expected to result in any loss or impairment of service to any customers. Customers will continue to receive their existing telecommunications services at the same rates, terms, and conditions and any future changes in rates, terms of conditions of service will be made consistent with Commission's requirements. The only change apparent to customers will be in the change of the name of the customers' service provider. AHCSI's name will be changed before this transfer is effective; however, the new name has not been determined as of the date of the filing of this application. Thus, from a customer's point of view, the transfer will be transparent and the service will be seamless and uninterrupted.

I. THE PETITIONERS

A. Alltel Holding Corporate Services, Inc.

AHCSI is a privately held corporation with principal offices located on a temporary basis at One Allied Drive, Building 2, Little Rock, Arkansas. Attached as **Exhibit A**, is a copy of AHCSI's Articles of Incorporation. Attached as **Exhibit B**, is a copy of AHCSI's By-Laws. Attached as **Exhibit C**, is a copy of the biographies of AHCSI's management team. Attached as **Exhibit D**, is the Application by a Foreign Corporation for a Certificate to Transact Business in South Carolina and the Certificate for AHCSI to transact business in South Carolina. As noted above, AHCSI is requesting transfer of ACI's authority to provide local exchange service, is seeking certification to provide resold long distance service and to transfer all of ACI's customers so that AHCSI can provide business and residential customers an integrated set of telecommunication

products and services, including local exchange, local access, domestic and international long distance telephone, data and dial up access to the Internet. Once the transfer is complete, AHCSI will have the financial, managerial and technical qualifications needed to provide quality telecommunication services to the consumers of South Carolina.

B. Alltel Communications, Inc.

ACI is a privately held Delaware corporation with principal offices located at One Allied Drive, Building 5, Little Rock, Arkansas.

II. DESIGNATED CONTACT

Local Counsel:

Robert D. Coble, Esquire Nexsen Pruet P.O. Drawer 2426 Columbia, South Carolina 29202 Telephone Number (803) - 253-8211 E-mail bcoble@nexsenpruet.com

III. DESCRIPTION OF TRANSFER OF CUSTOMERS

The proposal to transfer authority to provide local exchange services, to certify AHCSI as a reseller of long distance services and the transfer of customers from ACI to AHCSI will have no adverse impact on customers. The transfers described herein are part of the separation of the wireless and wireline business of Alltel Corporation. In connection with that separation, the local exchange and long distance resale business of Alltel Communications will be transferred to and become part of the new wireline business and a new name will be adopted. After the effective date of the transfer, AHCSI will provide the same local and long distance telecommunication services to former customers of ACI. Customers will continue to receive their existing services at the same

rates, terms, and conditions and any future changes in the rates, terms and conditions will be made consistent with Commission's requirements. To ensure a seamless transaction and avoid customer confusion or inconvenience, Petitioners will provide advance written notice to the affected customers at least thirty (30) days prior to the transfer, explaining the change in service provider in accordance with the applicable Federal Communications Commission and state requirements. As copy of the notification letter that will be sent to the affected customers is appended hereto as **Exhibit E.**

IV. PUBLIC INTEREST ANALYSIS

Grant of the instant application will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The proposed transfer will serve to create a heightened level of operating efficiency which generally will serve to enhance the overall capacity of AHCSI to compete in the marketplace and to provide telecommunication services to consumers in this state at competitive rates. Petitioners anticipate that customers will experience a seamless transition of service providers. Further, these customers will be sufficiently notified of the transfer and their rights. In sum, grant of this Petition will serve the public interest by furthering competition in the South Carolina telecommunication market, as a result of the strengthened competitive position of AHCSI.

V. REVIEW AND EFFECTIVE DATE

The Petitioners respectfully request that treatment and consideration of this Petition be provided so that it can be effective on a date to be determined by Petitioner no sooner than the second quarter of 2006.

VI. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated herein, Petitioners respectfully request that the Commission approve the transfer of ACI's authority to provide local exchange services to AHCSI, approve AHCSI's certification to resell long distance services and approve the transfer of customers from ACI to AHCSI to permit AHCSI to offer resold local and long distance telecommunication services to customers in South Carolina. Petitioners respectfully request that the Commission grant the request herein, and any additional as soon as possible.

Dated this 22nd day of December 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF "ALLTEL HOLDING CORPORATE SERVICES, INC.", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE SECOND DAY OF NOVEMBER, A.D. 2005, AT 5:23 O'CLOCK P.M.

A FILED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS.

Harriet Smith Windsor, Secretary of State

AUTHENTICATION: 4271488

DATE: 11-02-05

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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

ALLTEL HOLDING CORPORATE SERVICES, INC.

FIRST: The name of the Corporation is Alltel Holding Corporate Services, Inc. (hereinafter the "Corporation").

SECOND: The address of the registered office of the Corporation in the State of Delaware is 1209 Orange Street, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle. The name of its registered agent at that address is The Corporation Trust Company.

THIRD: The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a corporation may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware as set forth in Title 8 of the Delaware Code (the "GCL").

FOURTH: The total number of shares of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 1,000 shares of Common Stock, each having a par value of \$.01.

FIFTH: The name and mailing address of the Sole Incorporator is as

Name

<u>Address</u>

Tracey L. Lewis

follows:

P.O. Box 636 Wilmington, DE 19899

SIXTH: The following provisions are inserted for the management of the business and the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation, and for further definition, limitation and regulation of the powers of the Corporation and of its directors and stockholders:

- (1) The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors.
- (2) The directors shall have concurrent power with the stockholders to make, alter, amend, change, add to or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation.

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- (3) The number of directors of the Corporation shall be as from time to time fixed by, or in the manner provided in, the By-Laws of the Corporation. Election of directors need not be by written ballot unless the By-Laws so provide.
- (4) No director shall be personally liable to the Corporation or any of its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) pursuant to Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. Any repeal or modification of this Article SIXTH by the stockholders of the Corporation shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification with respect to acts or omissions occurring prior to such repeal or modification.
- (5) In addition to the powers and authority hereinbefore or by statute expressly conferred upon them, the directors are hereby empowered to exercise all such powers and do all such acts and things as may be exercised or done by the Corporation, subject, nevertheless, to the provisions of the GCL, this Certificate of Incorporation, and any By-Laws adopted by the stockholders; provided, however, that no By-Laws hereafter adopted by the stockholders shall invalidate any prior act of the directors which would have been valid if such By-Laws had not been adopted.

SEVENTH: The Corporation shall indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent authorized or permitted by law, as now or hereafter in effect, and such right to indemnification shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director or officer of the Corporation and shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and personal and legal representatives; provided, however, that, except for proceedings to enforce rights to indemnification, the Corporation shall not be obligated to indemnify any director or officer (or his or her heirs, executors or personal or legal representatives) in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such person unless such proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized or consented to by the Board of Directors. The right to indemnification conferred by this Article SEVENTH shall include the right to be paid by the Corporation the expenses incurred in defending or otherwise participating in any proceeding in advance of its final disposition.

The Corporation may, to the extent authorized from time to time by the Board of Directors, provide rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses to employees and agents of the Corporation similar to those conferred in this Article SEVENTH to directors and officers of the Corporation.

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The rights to indemnification and to the advance of expenses conferred in this Article SEVENTH shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under this Certificate of Incorporation, the By-Laws of the Corporation, any statute, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

Any repeal or modification of this Article SEVENTH by the stockholders of the Corporation shall not adversely affect any rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses of a director or officer of the Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification with respect to any acts or omissions occurring prior to such repeal or modification.

<u>BIGHTH</u>: Meetings of stockholders may be held within or without the State of Delaware, as the By-Laws may provide. The books of the Corporation may be kept (subject to any provision contained in the GCL) outside the State of Delaware at such place or places as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors or in the By-Laws of the Corporation.

NINTH: The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this Certificate of Incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon stockholders herein are granted subject to this reservation.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, being the Sole Incorporator hereinbefore named, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to the GCL, do make this Certificate, hereby declaring and certifying that this is my act and deed and the facts herein stated are true, and accordingly have hereunto set my hand this 2nd day of November, 2005.

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Tracey L. Lewis
Sole Incorporator

BY-LAWS

OF

ALLTEL HOLDING CORPORATE SERVICES, INC.

A Delaware Corporation

Effective November 2, 2005

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OF

ALLTEL HOLDING CORPORATE SERVICES, INC.

(hereinafter called the "Corporation")

ARTICLE I

OFFICES

- Section 1. <u>Registered Office</u>. The registered office of the Corporation shall be in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle, State of Delaware.
- Section 2. Other Offices. The Corporation may also have offices at such other places, both within and without the State of Delaware, as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine.

ARTICLE II

MEETINGS OF STOCKHOLDERS

- Section 1. <u>Place of Meetings</u>. Meetings of the stockholders for the election of directors or for any other purpose shall be held at such time and place, either within or without the State of Delaware, as shall be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors.
- Section 2. <u>Annual Meetings</u>. The Annual Meeting of

 Stockholders for the election of directors shall be held on such date and at such time
 as shall be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors. Any other proper
 business may be transacted at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders.
- Section 3. <u>Special Meetings</u>. Unless otherwise required by law or by the certificate of incorporation of the Corporation, as amended and restated from time to time (the "Certificate of Incorporation"), Special Meetings of

Stockholders, for any purpose or purposes, may be called by either (i) the Chairman, if there be one, or (ii) the President, (iii) any Vice President, if there be one, (iv) the Secretary or (v) any Assistant Secretary, if there be one, and shall be called by any such officer at the request in writing of (i) the Board of Directors, (ii) a committee of the Board of Directors that has been duly designated by the Board of Directors and whose powers and authority include the power to call such meetings or (iii) stockholders owning a majority of the capital stock of the Corporation issued and outstanding and entitled to vote. Such request shall state the purpose or purposes of the proposed meeting. At a Special Meeting of Stockholders, only such business shall be conducted as shall be specified in the notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto).

Section 4. Notice. Whenever stockholders are required or permitted to take any action at a meeting, a written notice of the meeting shall be given which shall state the place, date and hour of the meeting, and, in the case of a Special Meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called. Unless otherwise required by law, written notice of any meeting shall be given not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting to each stockholder entitled to notice of and to vote at such meeting.

Section 5. <u>Adjournments</u>. Any meeting of the stockholders may be adjourned from time to time to reconvene at the same or some other place, and notice need not be given of any such adjourned meeting if the time and place thereof are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken. At the

adjourned meeting, the Corporation may transact any business which might have been transacted at the original meeting. If the adjournment is for more than thirty (30) days, or if after the adjournment a new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, notice of the adjourned meeting in accordance with the requirements of Section 4 hereof shall be given to each stockholder of record entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting.

Section 6. Quorum. Unless otherwise required by applicable law or the Certificate of Incorporation, the holders of a majority of the Corporation's capital stock issued and outstanding and entitled to vote thereat, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the stockholders for the transaction of business. A quorum, once established, shall not be broken by the withdrawal of enough votes to leave less than a quorum. If, however, such quorum shall not be present or represented at any meeting of the stockholders, the stockholders entitled to vote thereat, present in person or represented by proxy, shall have power to adjourn the meeting from time to time, in the manner provided in Section 5 hereof, until a quorum shall be present or represented.

Section 7. <u>Voting</u>. Unless otherwise required by law, the

Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, any question brought before any

meeting of the stockholders, other than the election of directors, shall be decided by

the vote of the holders of a majority of the total number of votes of the Corporation's

capital stock represented and entitled to vote thereat, voting as a single class. Unless

otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, and subject to Section 11(a) of

this Article II, each stockholder represented at a meeting of the stockholders shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote for each share of the capital stock entitled to vote thereat held by such stockholder. Such votes may be cast in person or by proxy as provided in Section 8 of this Article II. The Board of Directors, in its discretion, or the officer of the Corporation presiding at a meeting of the stockholders, in such officer's discretion, may require that any votes cast at such meeting shall be cast by written ballot.

Section 8. Proxies. Each stockholder entitled to vote at a meeting of the stockholders or to express consent or dissent to corporate action in writing without a meeting may authorize another person or persons to act for such stockholder as proxy, but no such proxy shall be voted upon after three years from its date, unless such proxy provides for a longer period. Without limiting the manner in which a stockholder may authorize another person or persons to act for such stockholder as proxy, the following shall constitute a valid means by which a stockholder may grant such authority:

(i) A stockholder may execute a writing authorizing another person or persons to act for such stockholder as proxy. Execution may be accomplished by the stockholder or such stockholder's authorized officer, director, employee or agent signing such writing or causing such person's signature to be affixed to such writing by any reasonable means, including, but not limited to, by facsimile signature.

person or persons to act for such stockholder as proxy by transmitting or authorizing the transmission of a telegram or cablegram to the person who will be the holder of the proxy or to a proxy solicitation firm, proxy support service organization or like agent duly authorized by the person who will be the holder of the proxy to receive such telegram or cablegram, provided that any such telegram or cablegram must either set forth or be submitted with information from which it can be determined that the telegram or cablegram was authorized by the stockholder. If it is determined that such telegrams or cablegrams are valid, the inspectors or, if there are no inspectors, such other persons making that determination shall specify the information on which they relied.

Any copy, facsimile telecommunication or other reliable reproduction of the writing, telegram or cablegram authorizing another person or persons to act as proxy for a stockholder may be substituted or used in lieu of the original writing, telegram or cablegram for any and all purposes for which the original writing, telegram or cablegram could be used; provided, however, that such copy, facsimile telecommunication or other reproduction shall be a complete reproduction of the entire original writing, telegram or cablegram.

Section 9. <u>Consent of Stockholders in Lieu of Meeting.</u>

Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, any action required or

permitted to be taken at any Annual or Special Meeting of Stockholders of the Corporation may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, if a consent or consents in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by the holders of outstanding stock having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted and shall be delivered to the Corporation by delivery to its registered office in the State of Delaware, its principal place of business, or an officer or agent of the Corporation having custody of the book in which proceedings of meetings of the stockholders are recorded. Delivery made to the Corporation's registered office shall be by hand or by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested. Every written consent shall bear the date of signature of each stockholder who signs the consent and no written consent shall be effective to take the corporate action referred to therein unless, within sixty (60) days of the earliest dated consent delivered in the manner required by this Section 9 to the Corporation, written consents signed by a sufficient number of holders to take action are delivered to the Corporation by delivery to its registered office in the State of Delaware, its principal place of business, or an officer or agent of the Corporation having custody of the book in which proceedings of meetings of the stockholders are recorded. Any copy, facsimile or other reliable reproduction of a consent in writing may be substituted or used in lieu of the original writing for any and all purposes for which the original writing could be used, provided that such copy, facsimile or other reproduction shall be a complete reproduction of the entire original writing. Prompt notice of the taking of the corporate action without a

meeting by less than unanimous written consent shall be given to those stockholders who have not consented in writing and who, if the action had been taken at a meeting, would have been entitled to notice of the meeting if the record date for such meeting had been the date that written consents signed by a sufficient number of holders to take the action were delivered to the Corporation as provided above in this Section 9.

Section 10. <u>List of Stockholders Entitled to Vote</u>. The officer of the Corporation who has charge of the stock ledger of the Corporation shall prepare and make, at least ten (10) days before every meeting of the stockholders, a complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting, arranged in alphabetical order, and showing the address of each stockholder and the number of shares registered in the name of each stockholder. Such list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, for a period of at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting (i) either at a place within the city where the meeting is to be held, which place shall be specified in the notice of the meeting, or, if not so specified, at the place where the meeting is to be held or (ii) during ordinary business hours, at the principal place of business of the Corporation. The list shall also be produced and kept at the time and place of the meeting during the whole time thereof, and may be inspected by any stockholder who is present.

Section 11. Record Date.

- stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of the stockholders or any adjournment thereof, the Board of Directors may fix a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board of Directors, and which record date shall not be more than sixty (60) nor less than ten (10) days before the date of such meeting. If no record date is fixed by the Board of Directors, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of the stockholders shall be at the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which notice is given, or, if notice is waived, at the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which the meeting is held. A determination of stockholders of record entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of the stockholders shall apply to any adjournment of the meeting; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may fix a new record date for the adjourned meeting.
- (b) In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, the Board of Directors may fix a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board of Directors, and which record date shall not be more than ten (10) days after the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board of Directors. If no record date has been fixed by the Board of Directors, the record date

for determining stockholders entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, when no prior action by the Board of Directors is required by applicable law, shall be the first date on which a signed written consent setting forth the action taken or proposed to be taken is delivered to the Corporation by delivery to its registered office in the State of Delaware, its principal place of business, or an officer or agent of the Corporation having custody of the book in which proceedings of meetings of the stockholders are recorded. Delivery made to the Corporation's registered office shall be by hand or by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested. If no record date has been fixed by the Board of Directors and prior action by the Board of Directors is required by applicable law, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting shall be at the close of business on the day on which the Board of Directors adopts the resolution taking such prior action.

Section 12. Stock Ledger. The stock ledger of the Corporation shall be the only evidence as to who are the stockholders entitled to examine the stock ledger, the list required by Section 10 of this Article II or the books of the Corporation, or to vote in person or by proxy at any meeting of the stockholders.

Section 13. <u>Conduct of Meetings</u>. The Board of Directors of the Corporation may adopt by resolution such rules and regulations for the conduct of any meeting of the stockholders as it shall deem appropriate. Except to the extent inconsistent with such rules and regulations as adopted by the Board of Directors, the chairman of any meeting of the stockholders shall have the right and authority to

prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures and to do all such acts as, in the judgment of such chairman, are appropriate for the proper conduct of the meeting. Such rules, regulations or procedures, whether adopted by the Board of Directors or prescribed by the chairman of the meeting, may include, without limitation, the following: (i) the establishment of an agenda or order of business for the meeting; (ii) the determination of when the polls shall open and close for any given matter to be voted on at the meeting; (iii) rules and procedures for maintaining order at the meeting and the safety of those present; (iv) limitations on attendance at or participation in the meeting to stockholders of record of the Corporation, their duly authorized and constituted proxies or such other persons as the chairman of the meeting shall determine; (v) restrictions on entry to the meeting after the time fixed for the commencement thereof; and (vi) limitations on the time allotted to questions or comments by participants.

ARTICLE III

DIRECTORS

Section 1. Number and Election of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of not less than one nor more than fifteen members, the exact number of which shall initially be fixed by the Incorporator and thereafter from time to time by the Board of Directors. Except as provided in Section 2 of this Article III, directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at each Annual Meeting of Stockholders and each director so elected shall hold office until the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until such director's successor is duly elected and

qualified, or until such director's earlier death, resignation or removal. Directors need not be stockholders.

Section 2. <u>Vacancies</u>. Unless otherwise required by law or the Certificate of Incorporation, vacancies arising through death, resignation, removal, an increase in the number of directors or otherwise may be filled only by a majority of the directors then in office, though less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director, and the directors so chosen shall hold office until the next annual election and until their successors are duly elected and qualified, or until their earlier death, resignation or removal.

Section 3. <u>Duties and Powers</u>. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors which may exercise all such powers of the Corporation and do all such lawful acts and things as are not by statute or by the Certificate of Incorporation or by these By-Laws required to be exercised or done by the stockholders.

Section 4. Meetings. The Board of Directors may hold meetings, both regular and special, either within or without the State of Delaware. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held without notice at such time and at such place as may from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the Chairman, if there be one, the President, or by any director. Notice thereof stating the place, date and hour of the meeting shall be given to each director either by mail not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the date of the meeting, by telephone or telegram on twenty-

four (24) hours' notice, or on such shorter notice as the person or persons calling such meeting may deem necessary or appropriate in the circumstances.

Section 5. Organization. At each meeting of the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, or, in his or her absence, a director chosen by a majority of the directors present, shall act as chairman. The Secretary of the Corporation shall act as secretary at each meeting of the Board of Directors. In case the Secretary shall be absent from any meeting of the Board of Directors, an Assistant Secretary shall perform the duties of secretary at such meeting; and in the absence from any such meeting of the Secretary and all the Assistant Secretaries, the chairman of the meeting may appoint any person to act as secretary of the meeting.

Section 6. Resignations and Removals of Directors. Any director of the Corporation may resign at any time, by giving notice in writing to the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or the Secretary of the Corporation. Such resignation shall take effect at the time therein specified or, if no time is specified, immediately; and, unless otherwise specified in such notice, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. Except as otherwise required by applicable law and subject to the rights, if any, of the holders of shares of preferred stock then outstanding, any director or the entire Board of Directors may be removed from office at any time by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority in voting power of the issued and outstanding capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote in the election of directors.

Section 7. Quorum. Except as otherwise required by law or the Certificate of Incorporation, at all meetings of the Board of Directors, a majority of the entire Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and the act of a majority of the directors present at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Board of Directors. If a quorum shall not be present at any meeting of the Board of Directors, the directors present thereat may adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting of the time and place of the adjourned meeting, until a quorum shall be present.

Section 8. Actions of the Board by Written Consent. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors or of any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting, if all the members of the Board of Directors or committee, as the case may be, consent thereto in writing, and the writing or writings are filed with the minutes of proceedings of the Board of Directors or committee.

Section 9. <u>Meetings by Means of Conference Telephone.</u>

Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, or any committee thereof, may participate in a meeting of the Board of Directors or such committee by means of a conference telephone or other communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and participation in a

meeting pursuant to this Section 9 shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

Section 10. Committees. The Board of Directors may designate one or more committees, each committee to consist of one or more of the directors of the Corporation. The Board of Directors may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any committee, who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of any such committee. In the absence or disqualification of a member of a committee, and in the absence of a designation by the Board of Directors of an alternate member to replace the absent or disqualified member, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not such member or members constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in the place of any absent or disqualified member. Any committee, to the extent permitted by law and provided in the resolution establishing such committee, shall have and may exercise all the powers and authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, and may authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it. Each committee shall keep regular minutes and report to the Board of Directors when required.

Section 11. <u>Compensation</u>. The directors may be paid their expenses, if any, of attendance at each meeting of the Board of Directors and may be paid a fixed sum for attendance at each meeting of the Board of Directors or a stated

salary for service as director, payable in cash or securities. No such payment shall preclude any director from serving the Corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefore. Members of special or standing committees may be allowed like compensation for service as committee members.

Interested Directors. No contract or transaction Section 12. between the Corporation and one or more of its directors or officers, or between the Corporation and any other corporation, partnership, association or other organization in which one or more of its directors or officers are directors or officers or have a financial interest, shall be void or voidable solely for this reason, or solely because the director or officer is present at or participates in the meeting of the Board of Directors or committee thereof which authorizes the contract or transaction, or solely because any such director's or officer's vote is counted for such purpose if: (i) the material facts as to the director's or officer's relationship or interest and as to the contract or transaction are disclosed or are known to the Board of Directors or the committee, and the Board of Directors or committee in good faith authorizes the contract or transaction by the affirmative votes of a majority of the disinterested directors, even though the disinterested directors be less than a quorum; or (ii) the material facts as to the director's or officer's relationship or interest and as to the contract or transaction are disclosed or are known to the stockholders entitled to vote thereon, and the contract or transaction is specifically approved in good faith by vote of the stockholders; or (iii) the contract or transaction is fair as to the Corporation as of the time it is authorized, approved or ratified by the Board of Directors, a

committee thereof or the stockholders. Common or interested directors may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Board of Directors or of a committee which authorizes the contract or transaction.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

Section 1. <u>General</u>. The officers of the Corporation shall be chosen by the Board of Directors and shall be a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The Board of Directors, in its discretion, also may choose a Chairman of the Board of Directors (who must be a director) and one or more Vice Presidents, Assistant Secretaries, Assistant Treasurers and other officers. Any number of offices may be held by the same person, unless otherwise prohibited by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws. The officers of the Corporation need not be stockholders of the Corporation nor, except in the case of the Chairman of the Board of Directors, need such officers be directors of the Corporation.

Section 2. <u>Election</u>. The Board of Directors, at its first meeting held after each Annual Meeting of Stockholders (or action by written consent of stockholders in lieu of the Annual Meeting of Stockholders), shall elect the officers of the Corporation who shall hold their offices for such terms and shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors; and each officer of the Corporation shall hold office until such officer's successor is elected and qualified, or until such officer's earlier death, resignation or removal. Any officer elected by the Board of Directors may be

removed at any time by the Board of Directors. Any vacancy occurring in any office of the Corporation shall be filled by the Board of Directors. The salaries of all officers of the Corporation shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

Powers of attorney, proxies, waivers of notice of meeting, consents and other instruments relating to securities owned by the Corporation may be executed in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation by the President or any Vice President or any other officer authorized to do so by the Board of Directors and any such officer may, in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation, take all such action as any such officer may deem advisable to vote in person or by proxy at any meeting of security holders of any corporation in which the Corporation may own securities and at any such meeting shall possess and may exercise any and all rights and power incident to the ownership of such securities and which, as the owner thereof, the Corporation might have exercised and possessed if present. The Board of Directors may, by resolution, from time to time confer like powers upon any other person or persons.

Section 4. <u>Chairman of the Board of Directors</u>. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, if there be one, shall preside at all meetings of the stockholders and of the Board of Directors. The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation, unless the Board of Directors designates the President as the Chief Executive Officer, and, except where by law the signature of the President is required, the Chairman of the Board of

Directors shall possess the same power as the President to sign all contracts, certificates and other instruments of the Corporation which may be authorized by the Board of Directors. During the absence or disability of the President, the Chairman of the Board of Directors shall exercise all the powers and discharge all the duties of the President. The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall also perform such other duties and may exercise such other powers as may from time to time be assigned by these By-Laws or by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. President. The President shall, subject to the control of the Board of Directors and, if there be one, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, have general supervision of the business of the Corporation and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board of Directors are carried into effect. The President shall execute all bonds, mortgages, contracts and other instruments of the Corporation requiring a seal, under the seal of the Corporation, except where required or permitted by law to be otherwise signed and executed and except that the other officers of the Corporation may sign and execute documents when so authorized by these By-Laws, the Board of Directors or the President. In the absence or disability of the Chairman of the Board of Directors, or if there be none, the President shall preside at all meetings of the stockholders and, provided the President is also a director, the Board of Directors. If there be no Chairman of the Board of Directors, or if the Board of Directors shall otherwise designate, the President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation. The President shall also perform

such other duties and may exercise such other powers as may from time to time be assigned to such officer by these By-Laws or by the Board of Directors.

Section 6. <u>Vice Presidents</u>. At the request of the President or in the President's absence or in the event of the President's inability or refusal to act (and if there be no Chairman of the Board of Directors), the Vice President, or the Vice Presidents if there are more than one (in the order designated by the Board of Directors), shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. Each Vice President shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Directors from time to time may prescribe. If there be no Chairman of the Board of Directors and no Vice President, the Board of Directors shall designate the officer of the Corporation who, in the absence of the President or in the event of the inability or refusal of the President to act, shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President.

Section 7. Secretary. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and all meetings of the stockholders and record all the proceedings thereat in a book or books to be kept for that purpose; the Secretary shall also perform like duties for committees of the Board of Directors when required. The Secretary shall give, or cause to be given, notice of all meetings of the stockholders and special meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the

Board of Directors or the President, under whose supervision the Secretary shall be. If the Secretary shall be unable or shall refuse to cause to be given notice of all meetings of the stockholders and special meetings of the Board of Directors, and if there be no Assistant Secretary, then either the Board of Directors or the President may choose another officer to cause such notice to be given. The Secretary shall have custody of the seal of the Corporation and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary, if there be one, shall have authority to affix the same to any instrument requiring it and when so affixed, it may be attested by the signature of the Secretary or by the signature of any such Assistant Secretary. The Board of Directors may give general authority to any other officer to affix the seal of the Corporation and to attest to the affixing by such officer's signature. The Secretary shall see that all books, reports, statements, certificates and other documents and records required by law to be kept or filed are properly kept or filed, as the case may be.

the corporate funds and securities and shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Corporation and shall deposit all moneys and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Corporation in such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall disburse the funds of the Corporation as may be ordered by the Board of Directors, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the President and the Board of Directors, at its regular meetings, or when the Board of Directors so requires, an account of all transactions as Treasurer and of the financial

condition of the Corporation. If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall give the Corporation a bond in such sum and with such surety or sureties as shall be satisfactory to the Board of Directors for the faithful performance of the duties of the office of the Treasurer and for the restoration to the Corporation, in case of the Treasurer's death, resignation, retirement or removal from office, of all books, papers, vouchers, money and other property of whatever kind in the Treasurer's possession or under the Treasurer's control belonging to the Corporation.

Section 9. Other Officers. Such other officers as the Board of Directors may choose shall perform such duties and have such powers as from time to time may be assigned to them by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may delegate to any other officer of the Corporation the power to choose such other officers and to prescribe their respective duties and powers.

ARTICLE V

STOCK

Section 1. Form of Certificates. Every holder of stock in the Corporation shall be entitled to have a certificate signed by, or in the name of the Corporation (i) by the Chairman of the Board of Directors, or the President or a Vice President and (ii) by the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer, or the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Corporation, certifying the number of shares owned by such stockholder in the Corporation.

Section 2. <u>Signatures.</u> Any or all of the signatures on a certificate may be a facsimile. In case any officer, transfer agent or registrar who has

signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed upon a certificate shall have ceased to be such officer, transfer agent or registrar before such certificate is issued, it may be issued by the Corporation with the same effect as if such person were such officer, transfer agent or registrar at the date of issue.

direct a new certificate to be issued in place of any certificate theretofore issued by the Corporation alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed, upon the making of an affidavit of that fact by the person claiming the certificate of stock to be lost, stolen or destroyed. When authorizing such issue of a new certificate, the Board of Directors may, in its discretion and as a condition precedent to the issuance thereof, require the owner of such lost, stolen or destroyed certificate, or such owner's legal representative, to advertise the same in such manner as the Board of Directors shall require and/or to give the Corporation a bond in such sum as it may direct as indemnity against any claim that may be made against the Corporation on account of the alleged loss, theft or destruction of such certificate or the issuance of such new certificate.

Section 4. Transfers. Stock of the Corporation shall be transferable in the manner prescribed by applicable law and in these By-Laws.

Transfers of stock shall be made on the books of the Corporation only by the person named in the certificate or by such person's attorney lawfully constituted in writing and upon the surrender of the certificate therefore, properly endorsed for transfer and payment of all necessary transfer taxes; provided, however, that such surrender and

endorsement or payment of taxes shall not be required in any case in which the officers of the Corporation shall determine to waive such requirement. Every certificate exchanged, returned or surrendered to the Corporation shall be marked "Cancelled," with the date of cancellation, by the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Corporation or the transfer agent thereof. No transfer of stock shall be valid as against the Corporation for any purpose until it shall have been entered in the stock records of the Corporation by an entry showing from and to whom transferred.

Section 5. <u>Dividend Record Date</u>. In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights or the stockholders entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock, or for the purpose of any other lawful action, the Board of Directors may fix a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted, and which record date shall be not more than sixty (60) days prior to such action. If no record date is fixed, the record date for determining stockholders for any such purpose shall be at the close of business on the day on which the Board of Directors adopts the resolution relating thereto.

Section 6. Record Owners. The Corporation shall be entitled to recognize the exclusive right of a person registered on its books as the owner of shares to receive dividends, and to vote as such owner, and to hold liable for calls and assessments a person registered on its books as the owner of shares, and shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to or interest in such share or

shares on the part of any other person, whether or not it shall have express or other notice thereof, except as otherwise required by law.

Section 7. <u>Transfer and Registry Agents</u>. The Corporation may from time to time maintain one or more transfer offices or agencies and registry offices or agencies at such place or places as may be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI

NOTICES

Section 1. <u>Notices</u>. Whenever written notice is required by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, to be given to any director, member of a committee or stockholder, such notice may be given by mail, addressed to such director, member of a committee or stockholder, at such person's address as it appears on the records of the Corporation, with postage thereon prepaid, and such notice shall be deemed to be given at the time when the same shall be deposited in the United States mail. Written notice may also be given personally or by telegram, telex or cable.

Section 2. <u>Waivers of Notice</u>. Whenever any notice is required by applicable law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, to be given to any director, member of a committee or stockholder, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent thereto. Attendance of a person at a meeting, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute a waiver of

notice of such meeting, except where the person attends the meeting for the express purpose of objecting at the beginning of the meeting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any Annual or Special Meeting of Stockholders or any regular or special meeting of the directors or members of a committee of directors need be specified in any written waiver of notice unless so required by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws.

ARTICLE VII

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. <u>Dividends.</u> Dividends upon the capital stock of the Corporation, subject to the requirements of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL") and the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation, if any, may be declared by the Board of Directors at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors (or any action by written consent in lieu thereof in accordance with Section 8 of Article III hereof), and may be paid in cash, in property, or in shares of the Corporation's capital stock. Before payment of any dividend, there may be set aside out of any funds of the Corporation available for dividends such sum or sums as the Board of Directors from time to time, in its absolute discretion, deems proper as a reserve or reserves to meet contingencies, or for purchasing any of the shares of capital stock, warrants, rights, options, bonds, debentures, notes, scrip or other securities or evidences of indebtedness of the Corporation, or for equalizing

dividends, or for repairing or maintaining any property of the Corporation, or for any proper purpose, and the Board of Directors may modify or abolish any such reserve.

Section 2. <u>Disbursements</u>. All checks or demands for money and notes of the Corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers or such other person or persons as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate.

Section 3. <u>Fiscal Year</u>. The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be fixed by resolution of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII

INDEMNIFICATION

Proceedings other than Those by or in the Right of the Corporation. Subject to Section 3 of this Article VIII, the Corporation shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the Corporation), by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director or officer of the Corporation, or is or was a director or officer of the Corporation serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if such person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed

to the best interests of the Corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe such person's conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that such person's conduct was unlawful.

Proceedings by or in the Right of the Corporation. Subject to Section 3 of this

Article VIII, the Corporation shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is
threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit
by or in the right of the Corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of
the fact that such person is or was a director or officer of the Corporation, or is or
was a director or officer of the Corporation serving at the request of the Corporation
as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint
venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees)
actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with the defense or
settlement of such action or suit if such person acted in good faith and in a manner
such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the
Corporation; except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim,
issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the

Corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

Authorization of Indemnification. Any Section 3. indemnification under this Article VIII (unless ordered by a court) shall be made by the Corporation only as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the present or former director or officer is proper in the circumstances because such person has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Section 1 or Section 2 of this Article VIII, as the case may be. Such determination shall be made, with respect to a person who is a director or officer at the time of such determination, (i) by a majority vote of the directors who are not parties to such action, suit or proceeding, even though less than a quorum, or (ii) by a committee of such directors designated by a majority vote of such directors, even though less than a quorum, or (iii) if there are no such directors, or if such directors so direct, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion or (iv) by the stockholders. Such determination shall be made, with respect to former directors and officers, by any person or persons having the authority to act on the matter on behalf of the Corporation. To the extent, however, that a present or former director or officer of the Corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense

of any action, suit or proceeding described above, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, such person shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection therewith, without the necessity of authorization in the specific case.

Good Faith Defined. For purposes of any Section 4. determination under Section 3 of this Article VIII, a person shall be deemed to have acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation, or, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, to have had no reasonable cause to believe such person's conduct was unlawful, if such person's action is based on the records or books of account of the Corporation or another enterprise, or on information supplied to such person by the officers of the Corporation or another enterprise in the course of their duties, or on the advice of legal counsel for the Corporation or another enterprise or on information or records given or reports made to the Corporation or another enterprise by an independent certified public accountant or by an appraiser or other expert selected with reasonable care by the Corporation or another enterprise. The provisions of this Section 4 shall not be deemed to be exclusive or to limit in any way the circumstances in which a person may be deemed to have met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Section 1 or Section 2 of this Article VIII, as the case may be.

Section 5. <u>Indemnification by a Court</u>. Notwithstanding any contrary determination in the specific case under Section 3 of this Article VIII, and

notwithstanding the absence of any determination thereunder, any director or officer may apply to the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware or any other court of competent jurisdiction in the State of Delaware for indemnification to the extent otherwise permissible under Section 1 or Section 2 of this Article VIII. The basis of such indemnification by a court shall be a determination by such court that indemnification of the director or officer is proper in the circumstances because such person has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Section 1 or Section 2 of this Article VIII, as the case may be. Neither a contrary determination in the specific case under Section 3 of this Article VIII nor the absence of any determination thereunder shall be a defense to such application or create a presumption that the director or officer seeking indemnification has not met any applicable standard of conduct. Notice of any application for indemnification pursuant to this Section 5 shall be given to the Corporation promptly upon the filing of such application. If successful, in whole or in part, the director or officer seeking indemnification shall also be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting such application.

Section 6. Expenses Payable in Advance. Expenses

(including attorneys' fees) incurred by a director or officer in defending any civil,
criminal, administrative or investigative action, suit or proceeding shall be paid by
the Corporation in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding
upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of such director or officer to repay
such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that such person is not entitled to be

indemnified by the Corporation as authorized in this Article VIII. Such expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by former directors and officers or other employees and agents may be so paid upon such terms and conditions, if any, as the Corporation deems appropriate.

Advancement of Expenses. The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided by, or granted pursuant to, this Article VIII shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification or advancement of expenses may be entitled under the Certificate of Incorporation, these By-Laws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise, both as to action in such person's official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office, it being the policy of the Corporation that indemnification of the persons specified in Section 1 and Section 2 of this Article VIII shall be made to the fullest extent permitted by law. The provisions of this Article VIII shall not be deemed to preclude the indemnification of any person who is not specified in Section 1 or Section 2 of this Article VIII but whom the Corporation has the power or obligation to indemnify under the provisions of the DGCL, or otherwise.

Section 8. <u>Insurance</u>. The Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director or officer of the Corporation, or is or was a director or officer of the Corporation serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability

asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity, or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not the Corporation would have the power or the obligation to indemnify such person against such liability under the provisions of this Article VIII.

Section 9. Certain Definitions. For purposes of this Article VIII, references to "the Corporation" shall include, in addition to the resulting corporation, any constituent corporation (including any constituent of a constituent) absorbed in a consolidation or merger which, if its separate existence had continued, would have had power and authority to indemnify its directors or officers, so that any person who is or was a director or officer of such constituent corporation, or is or was a director or officer of such constituent corporation serving at the request of such constituent corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall stand in the same position under the provisions of this Article VIII with respect to the resulting or surviving corporation as such person would have with respect to such constituent corporation if its separate existence had continued. The term "another enterprise" as used in this Article VIII shall mean any other corporation or any partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise of which such person is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent. For purposes of this Article VIII, references to "fines" shall include any excise taxes assessed on a person with respect to an employee benefit plan; and references to "serving at the request of the Corporation" shall include any service as

a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation which imposes duties on, or involves services by, such director or officer with respect to an employee benefit plan, its participants or beneficiaries; and a person who acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries of an employee benefit plan shall be deemed to have acted in a manner "not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation" as referred to in this Article VIII.

Section 10. <u>Survival of Indemnification and Advancement of Expenses</u>. The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided by, or granted pursuant to, this Article VIII shall, unless otherwise provided when authorized or ratified, continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director or officer and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such a person.

anything contained in this Article VIII to the contrary, except for proceedings to enforce rights to indemnification (which shall be governed by Section 5 of this Article VIII), the Corporation shall not be obligated to indemnify any director or officer (or his or her heirs, executors or personal or legal representatives) or advance expenses in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such person unless such proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized or consented to by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

Section 12. <u>Indemnification of Employees and Agents.</u> The Corporation may, to the extent authorized from time to time by the Board of Directors, provide rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses to employees and agents of the Corporation similar to those conferred in this Article VIII to directors and officers of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IX

<u>AMENDMENTS</u>

Section 1. Amendments. These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, or new By-Laws may be adopted by the stockholders or by the Board of Directors; provided, however, that notice of such alteration, amendment, repeal or adoption of new By-Laws be contained in the notice of such meeting of the stockholders or Board of Directors, as the case may be. All such amendments must be approved by either the holders of a majority of the outstanding capital stock entitled to vote thereon or by a majority of the entire Board of Directors then in office.

Section 2. <u>Entire Board of Directors</u>. As used in this Article IX and in these By-Laws generally, the term "entire Board of Directors" means the total number of directors which the Corporation would have if there were no vacancies.

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Adopted as of November 2, 2005

MANAGEMENT BIOGRAPHIES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Francis X. "Skip" Frantz - Chairman One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 501-905-8111

Francis X. "Skip" Frantz, Executive Vice President – General Counsel and Secretary of Alltel Corporation, has been named Chairman of the Board of the new wireline company to be formed through the spin-off of Alltel's wireline business and merger with VALOR Communications group of Irving, Texas.

Frantz joined Alltel in 1990 as Senior Vice President and General Counsel and was appointed Corporate Secretary in January 1992 and Executive Vice President in 1998. He is responsible for the wireline wholesale services group, federal and state government and external affairs, corporate communications, administrative services and corporate governance.

Prior to joining Alltel, he was a partner in the law firm of Thompson, Hine and Flory, where he represented Alltel in connection with various business transactions and corporate matters for the last several years of his 12-year tenure with that firm.

Mr. Frantz is the 2005-2006 Chairman of the Board and of the Executive Committee of the USTelecom, a telecom trade association that represents 1,200 member companies. During his association with USTelecom, he has served as First Vice Chairman and as a member of the Executive Committee, Nominating Committee and Telecom Reform Task Force Committee.

Dennis E. Foster - Director 600 The Grange Lane Lexington, Kentucky 40511 859 294 7663

Mr. Foster is currently the Principal in Foster Thoroughbred Investments. Prior to June 30, 2000, he was Vice Chairman of the Board of Alltel; Director of Yellow Corp. and NiSource Inc. He was initially elected as a Director of Alltel in 1998 and during his tenure was Chairmen of the Compensation Committee and member of the Executive Committee. Prior to joining the Alltel Board, Mr. Foster was the president of 360 Communications.

Jeffery R. Gardner - Director One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 501-905-8707

Jeffery Gardner, is currently the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Alltel Corporation. In addition to becoming a member of the board of the new wireline company, he has been named President and Chief Executive Officer.

Gardner has been in the communications industry since 1986 and joined Alltel in 1998 when the company merged with 360 Communications

He has held a variety of senior management positions such as Senior Vice President of Finance, which included treasury, accounting and capital markets; President of the Mid-Atlantic Region; Vice President and General Manager of Las Vegas and Director of Finance.

Gardner is a member of the Board of Directors for RF Micro Devices, based in Greensboro, N.C., where he serves on the audit committee. He also serves on the board of the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra, the Arthritis Foundation and Pulaski Academy School in Little Rock.

Gardner received his Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from Purdue University and a Master's degree in Business Administration from William and Mary. He is a Certified Public Accountant.

OFFICERS

Francis X Frantz - Chairman

(See biography above)

Jeffery R. Gardner – President and Chief Executive Officer

(See biography above)

John B. Koch - Chief Operating Officer

One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 501-905-8981

John Koch , President – Wireline Services, has been named Chief Operating Officer of the new wireline company to be formed through the spin-off of Alltel's wireline business and merger with VALOR Communications Group of Irving, Texas.

Since joining Alltel in 1998 when the company merged with 360 Communications, Koch has held a variety of management positions such as president – Southeast Region, Executive Vice President of Marketing and Emerging Business and Executive Vice President of Network Services.

Koch previously was with Sprint Cellular, Centel Cellular and has worked as a consultant for the Analytic Sciences Corporation (TASC).

Koch received his Bachelor of Science degree and Master's degree in systems engineering from the University of Virginia.

Brent Whittington - Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 501-905-6558

Brent Whittington, Senior Vice President - Operations Support of Alltel Communications, Inc., has been named Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the new wireline company.

Whittington joined Alltel in 2002. He also served as Vice President - Finance & Accounting.

Prior to joining Alltel, Whittington was an Audit Manager for Arthur Anderson.

He has a degree in accounting from the University of Arkansas in Little Rock.

Whittington is active in his community. He currently serves on the board of Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Central Arkansas

Rob Clancy - Senior Vice President and Treasurer One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR

Rob Clancy, Vice President – Investor Relations of Alltel, has been named Senior Vice President and Treasurer of the new wireline company. Clancy also will lead the new wireline company's investor relations and corporate communications efforts.

Clancy has been in the communications industry since 1987 and joined Alltel in 1998 when the company merged wth 360 Communications.

He has held a variety of management positions throughout his tenure including Vice President of Sales and Distribution, Vice President of Internal Audit, Vice President of Finance, Vice President and General Manager for the Central North Carolina Market, and Southeast Region Marketing Director.

Clancy has a degree in accounting from Northern Illinois University in Dekalb. He is a Certified Public Accountant.

Frank A. Schueneman - Senior Vice President Network Operations One Allied Drive

Little Rock, AR 501-905-8482

As Vice President - Engineering for Alltel, Schueneman is responsible for design and implementation of Alltel's wireless and wireline networks including switching, transport, RF and data. He will be Senior Vice President Network Operations for the new wireline company.

Before being named to his current position, Schueneman was responsible for the operation of wireless networks in Alltel's West Region which included the operation and maintenance of wireless switching systems and cell sites, wireless system performance and optimization, and cell site project engineering and construction. Other duties included regional capital budget management and wireline outside plant engineering and construction.

Schueneman has served more than 25 years with Alltel where he has a broad technical background that includes planning, engineering and operation of wireless, wireline, long distance and data networks. Schueneman attended the University of Akron where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Electronic Technology.

Daniel A. Powell - Area President

130 West New Circle Road Lexington, KY 859-357-6101

Dan Powell is responsible for the day to day operations for ALLTEL's wireline and CLEC operations in Nebraska, Kentucky, Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York. Powell will continue in this role for the new wireline company.

Powell joined Alltel in 1993 and has held a variety of operations and corporate positions including Vice President and General Manager of the Virginia Market Area, Vice President of Marketing, Manager of Corporate Strategy and Vice President of Investor Relations.

Most recently, he has served as Area President for wireline services for Arkansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas. He has also served as Market Area President for New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia where he was responsible for wireless, wireline, CLEC, long distance, DSL and broadband communications.

Prior to joining the company, Powell was with Andersen Consulting. Powell is a graduate of Albion College in Albion, Mich., with a Bachelor's degree in Economics and Management. Powell also holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Michigan.

Gregg L. Richey - Area President One Alltel Center Alpharetta, GA 678-351-2050

Richey is responsible for the day to day operations for Alltel's wireline and CLEC operations in Arkansas, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Texas. Richey will continue in this role for the new wireline company.

Rchey joined Alltel in 1991 as General Manager of Alltel's Gainesville, Fla., market. Prior to his current position, Richey has served as Senior Vice President - Sales and Distribution for Alltel Communications, President of Alltel's Mid-South Market, and Vice President and General Manager for the company's Florida, Georgia, and Alabama wireless operations. In 1994, he won Alltel's ALEX Award for helping the Gainesville, Fla., market achieve Market of the Year status.

Richey holds a Bachelor's Degree in computer science from the University of Mississippi in Oxford. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Georgia Chamber of Commerce.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA SECRETARY OF STATE

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APPLICATION BY A FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY **TO TRANSACT BUSINESS** IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA SECRETARY OF STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY WITH BLACK INK

Pursuant to Section 33-15-103 of the 1976 South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, the undersigned corporation hereby applies for authority to transact business in the State of South Carolina, and for that purpose, hereby submits the following statement:

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1.	The name of the corporation is (see Sections 33-4-101 and 33-15-106 and Section 33-19-500(b)(1) if the corporation is a professional corporation) <u>ALLTEL HOLDING CORPORATE SERVICES, INC.</u>					
2.	It is incorporated as (check applicable item) [x] a general business corporation, [] a professional corporation, under the laws of the state of DELAWARE					
3.	The date of its incorporation is 11/02/05 and the period of its duration is PERPETUAL					
4.	The address of the principal office of the corporation is ONE ALLIED DRIVE in the Street Address					
	city of LITTLE ROCK and the state of AR 72202 Zip Code					
5.	The address of the proposed registered office the state of South Carolina is c/o C T Corporation System, 75 Beattie Place in the city of Greenville in					
	Street Address South Carolina 29601 Zip Code					
6.	The name of the proposed registered agent in this state at such address is C T Corporation System					
	Print Name					
	I hereby consent to the appointment as registered agent of the corporation.					

C T Corporation System J.L.miles, Asst. Secy. Signature of the Registered Agent

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FILED: 12/15/2005

ALLTEL HOLDING CORPORATE SERVICES, INC.

Filing Fee: \$135.00 ORIG

Mark Hammond

South Carolina Secretary of State

ALLTEL HOLDING CORPORATE SERVICES, INC. Name of Corporation

a)	Name of Directors	Business Address
JEFFER	RY R. GARDNER	ONE ALLIED DRIVE, LITTLE ROCK, AR 72202
FRANC	CIS X. FRANTZ	ONE ALLIED DRIVE, LITTLE ROCK, AR 72202
b)	Name and Office of Principal Officers	Business Address
JEFFER	RY R. GARDNER, PRESIDENT &	ONE ALLIED DRIVE, LITTLE ROCK, AR 72202
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Attachment to South Carolina

Purpose Clause

TO ENGAGE IN ANY LAWFUL ACT OR ACTIVITY FOR WHICH A CORPORATION MAY BE ORGANZIED UNDER THE GENERAL CORPORATION LAW OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AS SET FORTH IN TITLE 8 OF THE DELAWARE CODE.

The State of South Carolina



Office of Secretary of State Mark Hammond

Certificate of Authorization

I, Mark Hammond, Secretary of State of South Carolina Hereby certify that:

ALLTEL HOLDING CORPORATE SERVICES, INC.,

a corporation duly organized under the laws of the state of DELAWARE and issued a certificate of authority to transact business in South Carolina on December 15th, 2005, has on the date hereof filed all reports due this office, paid all fees, taxes and penalties owed to the Secretary of State, that the Secretary of State has not mailed notice to the Corporation that its authority to transact business in South Carolina is subject to being revoked pursuant to Section 33-15-310 of the 1976 South Carolina Code, and no application for surrender of authority to do business in South Carolina has been filed in this office as of the date hereof.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina this 15th day of December, 2005.

Mark Hammond, Secretary of State

AHCSI One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202

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NAME ADDRESS 1 ADDRESS 2 CITY, STATE ZIP

IMPORTANT: NOTICE OF CHANGE IN LONG DISTANCE SERVICE PROVIDER

Dear NAME:

Alltel Holding Corporate Services, Inc (AHCSI) soon will succeed Alltel Communications as your long distance service provider. AHCSI is excited about this chance to provide you service, and we look forward to serving you beginning [EFFECTIVE DATE].

Rest assured there will be no change in your current rates or in the terms and conditions of your service. Also, there will be no charges associated with transitioning your long distance service to AHCSI.

You have the right to choose your long distance provider and are free to choose another carrier for your long distance service. If you choose to select another carrier, you need to contact that carrier immediately to ensure that your services are transferred before [EFFECTIVE DATE]. You may have to pay a transfer charge to the new carrier if you change carriers.

As a customer of Alltel Communications, Inc., you will be transferred automatically to AHCSI, unless you select another long distance carrier before [EFFECTIVE DATE]. If you have a PIC freeze on your account, you will need to contact your local telephone company to arrange a new PIC freeze after your long distance service is transferred to your new provider.

Customer service is the foundation of our business. Please let us know how we can work with you to meet your needs. If you have questions about the transition of your long distance service to AHCSI, please contact us at 1-800-222-6825.

Please watch for upcoming communications from AHCSI. Thank you for letting us serve you!

Sincerely,